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FESS' Got Talent benefits local charities



MELISSA MANGELSEN Fort Erie Times

Fort Erie Secondary School student Joe Shawana at FESS' Got Talent event held last Thursday. Shawana performed Sitting, Waiting, Wishing, receiving rave reviews from the judges and the audience. FESS' Got Talent was a benefit event for local charities Stars4Joshua and Breathe Deeply Alivia.

FESS students inspired by local youth

Melissa Mangelsen
Fort Erie Times

Last Thursday Fort Erie Secondary School was host to FESS' Got Talent.

The annual talent show has been growing in popularity since it began four years ago.

This year two local charities, Stars4Joshua and Breathe Deeply Alivia, benefited from the profits.

Breathe Deeply Alivia is a charity for young Alivia Tripplehorn, who was born with a rare disease called congenital central hypoventilation syndrome, also known as Ondine's Curse. It is a disease that makes her stop breathing both in her sleep and while awake without any warning.

Funds raised at FESS' Got Talent went to help Alivia's family with medical expenses that are not covered by OHIP.

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Young talent entertains at FESS' Got Talent

Friends of FESS committee bring talent to the stage for talent show

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Stars4Joshua is a charity started for five-year-old Joshua Vethaak, who was diagnosed at the age of one with Cerebral Palsy. It effects the left side of his body and brain. He is also living with Global Development Delay, cortical vision and epileptic seizures.

Stars4Joshua is raising money for a wheelchair accessible vehicle for

young Joshua. Currently his only mode of transportation is his grandmother's Jimmy, which is becoming increasingly difficult to get Joshua in and out of.

FESS' Got Talent had 13 young performers take to the stage to show off their talent and help out two worthy causes.

Guest judges were Tristan Ledgingham Jackson, Brian Barber, Enzo Herrena, Brittany Hebbour, Amanda Leonard and Carina Frammatto.

The event was hosted by the Friends of FESS committee.

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Fort Erie Times

Above, Grandmother Maureen Richardson with her grandson, Joshua Vethaak and Rise Against Bullying founder Justin Preston at FESS' Got Talent event. Money raised went to help with the purchase of a wheelchair accessible vehicle for Joshua.

At left, FESS student William Conhiser, left, wowed the crowd when he took to the stage to dance to Psy's Gangnam Style. Judges loved his high-energy performance and his stage presence. MC for the evening was Dalton Bird, right.

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Lending a helping hand to Community Living

Sarah Ferguson
Fort Erie Times

More than 20 volunteers proved Wednesday that many hands make light work.

Students from Fort Erie Secondary School and the Fort Erie Garden Club partnered to celebrate Community Living Month

by cleaning up one of the homes that serves individuals supported by Community Living Fort Erie.

The volunteer work is done as part of the Helping Hands Project, said Margaret Fiddler, manager of community development for Community Living Fort Erie.

The event is designed to

reach out to assist the people Community Living supports to beautify the yards around their homes.

"This means that we are working on today serves mostly people in wheelchairs and it makes it difficult for them to get out and garden," Fiddler said.

The Helping Hands initiative allows FESS students

to "give back" to the community by making a difference for others and donating their time.

Students from Fort Erie Secondary School had the opportunity to "give back" to others through this event. They came out to make a difference for others by donating their time.

FESS has a long standing

relationship with Community Living FESS teacher Ryan Timbers said. "We have students from year to year who ask when it's time to get involved (with the Helping Hands Project)," Timbers said.

Timbers said the initiative teaches students about the importance of volunteerism.

Fiddler said the Helping Hands Project and other initiatives like it would not be possible without the support of the community.

"The Fort Erie community has always been very generous," she said.

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Fort Erie Secondary School students and members of the Fort Erie Garden Club lend a hand and help clean up the yard of one of that homes that serves individuals supported by Community Living Fort Erie.

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The Greater Fort Erie Chamber of Commerce is

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"Last year's tournament was a fantastic event bringing together more

than 80 local business owners, employees, management teams, political dignitaries, and families and friends for 18 holes of golf," said Karen Audet, Chamber Operations Manager. "We anticipate a repeat of last year's success, offering a day for the entire community to net-

work and enjoy the beautiful course, driving range, great food, and many prizes."

The format of the tournament is a 4-person scramble/ best ball. Attendees register at 11:30 a.m., receive their registration gift, enjoy a barbecue lunch and use

of the driving range.

Tee off is at 1 p.m. sharp, and following a day on the course, golfers are treated to a plated steak dinner and awarded prizes and door prizes.

Cost to register is being maintained at last year's low price of \$150 per golfer.

There are also oppor-

tunities for businesses to participate in various sponsorship opportunities, including sponsoring a golf hole, or donating a door prize to the event.

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From 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., the RASC Niagara Centre's Solar Exhibit will also provide visitors with the opportunity to safely view the sun through a sun-eclipse telescope, as astronomy experts will be on-site to answer questions and provide participants with a better understanding of the solar system.

All activities will start at the Niagara Glen Nature Centre. Guided hikes last approximately 1 to 1.5 hours and require proper footwear suitable for rugged terrain. Participants are reminded to stay on marked trails and follow "leave no trace" principles. The Niagara Glen Nature Centre is located at 3050 Niagara Parkway, across from the Whirlpool Golf Course.

About the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada, Niagara Centre

Since it was founded in 1890, the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada has fulfilled a special role in both amateur and professional astronomy. Today, it has almost 5,000 members who share a passion for the night sky and make contributions to astronomy in many ways. The Niagara Centre, which is one of 27 Centres of the RASC, has been bringing astronomy to the citizens of the Niagara Region since 1960.

Catching fire, Erie Beach ruins

All branches of the Fort Erie Public Library will be closed for Victoria Day, May 19



Amy Roebuck
Fort Erie Public Library

Many of the best movies are made from terrific books.

A case in point is the series of Hunger Games films, starring Jennifer Lawrence, Josh Hutcherson and Liam Hemsworth, based on the young adult trilogy by Suzanne Collins.

This Saturday at the Centennial branch of the Fort Erie Public Library, watch Hunger Games: Catching Fire, the continuing adventures of Katniss Everdeen, which take place in a futuristic dystopian world. Catching Fire features Sam Claflin, Elizabeth Banks, the late Philip Seymour Hoffman, Woody Harrelson, Stanley Tucci and Donald Sutherland in supporting roles.

Other teen-friendly events include a teen book group this afternoon at 3:30 p.m. There are also knitting lessons offered at the Crystal Ridge branch this evening and every Thursday evening throughout the month by the Bowes Road Women's Institute.

The Harry Potter Club, for Grades 5 and up, is meeting on Tuesday, May 20 at the Crystal Ridge branch and at the Centennial branch on Thursday, May 22.

Registration is open at Hogwarts and they want you! This month it features a Herbology class. Let's see who can put up the best Mandrake. If you want to take some Harry Potter fun home with you, the books and movies are all available with your library card.

On Wednesday, May 21, the Lego Maker Club will meet at 4 p.m. at the

Stevenson branch.

On Wednesday evening, May 21, at the Crystal Ridge branch, local author and historian June Chipp will share her research about the Erie Beach Amusement Park, and the ruins that remain along the shoreline to remind us of that glorious time. Chipp is the author of A Self-guided History Tour of Greater Fort Erie, which is available in the library collection.

Copies of Chipp's book will also be offered for sale and signing at the Wednesday evening program.

The May 21 program, which begins at 7:30 p.m., is a partnership with the Bertie Historical Society. Please note the later start time.

To view scenes of Erie Beach Amusement Park in the library digital archives, click on Local History and Genealogy on the library's homepage, and type Erie Beach in the search bar.

Please note that all branches of the library will be closed on Monday, May 19 for the Victoria Day holiday.

You can download ebooks, music or magazines, do research online or browse the library collection by visiting the website www.fepL.ca anytime. Amy Roebuck is the community services coordinator at the Fort Erie Public Library.

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A gardener's journal – Fort Erie Garden Club plant sale kicks off spring

Ruth Vold Markle
A special to The Times

Looking out at the ice still floating freely on the Lake reminds me of living near Lake Huron.

Most May days there would be warm and then a sharp breeze would blow in from the ice still on the Lake.

It has been a challenge this year to think spring and even getting into the garden has been a time of muddy boots and mucky tools and yet today the warm sunshine reminded me that spring has finally come to our region.

This would be the weekend to think about purchasing vegetables and herbs and some annuals to keep cool but not exposed until we are sure the time of frost is past. Moving here 4 years ago

gave me an insight into Niagara growing patterns. I saw a great many plants out and in soil prior to the 24 of May weekend, a sure sign of mild weather along these peninsula shores.

This year our nights are cooler and it might be wise to keep tender vegetables and annuals in a safer spot until close to the end of the month.

My wise neighbour always said you could plant in the spring after the full moon in May that takes place on May 14th this year so we might want to wait a week or so after that before we plant.

We can always find plenty of variety and colour in perennials lots of new colours in the summer flowering families and in our region many wonderful places to purchase.

I always think perennials are the most cost effective and if you will, give harmony to the green space, no matter the size you have and once established can provide years of enjoyment.

A great place to purchase perennials will be at the Fort Erie Garden Club Plant Sale on Saturday May 24. This event is held at our own Fort Erie Secondary School in and around the greenhouse. Sale begins at 8 am and will continue until noon.

Early birds seem to enjoy this sale and there is always someone on hand who will answer your questions and be glad to help out.

Looking forward to seeing you there and until next week, keep growing!



Do You Remember?

We received a great response to last week's photo from 3 callers. Even though two wish to remain anonymous, we thank them all. This photo was taken at Bertie Fire Station No. 1 and shows firefighter Bernie Steele on the left, and Bob Byrne on the

right awarding \$500 cheques to two people, one of whom may be Thora Johnson. The man remains unknown. Our thanks to Bob's wife, Mary who also narrowed down the year as somewhere between 1966-69.

This week's photo continues the firefighting theme. If you know any of the people in the photo or what the plaques represent, please call the Museum at 905-894-5322 or e-mail museum@forterie.on.ca

Time to talk about the Bald Eagle nest

 Where are all the Canadian geese heading to?

Brother Ed and I finally made it back to Iroquois National Refuge in Western New York.

Thanks to American cousin Dave Stein who gave us a tremendous tour of the extensive

"will be tremendous" when re-established. When? "Soon".

No closed circuit TV of the Eagle's nest. Why? The old tree had finally fallen nest and all. But Dave was informed a new nest is near the Cayuga Lookout.

We headed down the gravel roads of the Refuge. Turkey hens here and there. Brother Ed, asked again, "Where are all

the Canada's?" In previous years we had seen upwards of 10,000 Canada geese here with David's late father, Willy. Not this time. Too early for newly hatched we saw only a few hundred. Small groups of mallards here and there. Back and forth we went then David drove into Mallard Lookout. Binoculars in hand we saw in a tree a large nest. It was a Bald

Eagle's nest with a young one. To the right they spotted another eagle on the island.

We had a good lunch in an old eating place where cousin Willy visited frequently. Now David does the same. Son-in-law Chris had driven us over and now took us back. Thanks Chris. Thanks Dave for making two old guys happy.

Worth a visit. Find it on Google.



RON GOODRIDGE Special to The Times
 A Port Colborne Bald Eagle.

opinion page

Facts you may, or may not know about the War of 1812

Brian Thomas
A Special to The Times

1. Two important reasons why the war started: the United States did not like the British Navy stopping and harassing their ships along the eastern seaboard (the U.S. frigate Chesapeake incident); the second being, the British who had many Western Tribe allies, prevented the Americans from expanding westward.

2. June 18th, 1812, the United States declared war on Great Britain. That evening, the British officers of Fort George, had invited the American officers of Fort Niagara for dinner. The cou-

rier arrived shortly after dinner with the dispatch. The impact of the news did not alter their after dinner tradition toasting to the Queen and the British. It granted their adversaries liberty to return to their fortress that night. The next morning they opened fire upon each other.

3. The British recruits were enlisted for seven years, the average fighting age being between 26-30 years. The Canadian soldiers average age was much younger. The British recruiting officers were dressed in the finest uniforms, down to shiny, detailed, well-made boots. These men were

looking for men between the ages of 16-35 years, and upon enlistment, the tatteredfoot received a king's shilling: was brought before a local recruiter, detailed to a post for service (the criteria being that he could walk and breath). The average height of an enlisted soldier was approximately 5'2".

4. A soldier's daily ration consisted of a one pound biscuit, ten ounces of pork, or one pound of salted beef, 1/2 pint of peas, one ounce of rice, and one ounce of salt. The best way to make this food appetizing was to boil it into a stew. This is really, one meal a day. During the war, most of the water supply was tainted,

including the streams. Thus, their canteens were usually filled with a very load grade beer, called "small beer". The British also supplied rum imported from the West Indies.

5. Approximately 35,000 British and Canadian men made up the regular troops defending our land against a force of c.60,000 American enlisted men.

6. Approximately 2,000 British and Canadian soldiers lost their lives for the cause, and many of these were lost due to disease and amputation, while the loss to the south, numbered 60,000.

7. Daily life was such a struggle, and conditions were so bad, that desertion

became a way of survival. It seemed for some, that the grass looked greener on the other side of the river, and in this case, the took a smooth path. During the winter of 1813, on a cold February night, a British officer, two enlisted men, and a young family from Fort Erie, walked across the frozen lake from Point Abino to Buffalo. Their only source of navigation was the shoreline, (which ended at the mouth of the two inlets). They were taken in by the Americans for information, and soon the dissidents, realized their error, because the conditions in Buffalo were no better than on the Niagara frontier.



The average height of an enlisted soldier during the War of 1812 was five feet, two inches.

Check out the student exhibit showing at The Sanctuary

Nadine Foersterberg
A Special to The Times

I don't know if you are as excited as I am to see the sun and feel a bit warmer for the first time in what felt like a winter that would last forever. We have had a long, long month. So let me just lead to the rest of the month and tell you what we have in store for you.

We would like to draw attention to the student exhibit currently showing at The Sanctuary - Centre for the Arts. The work is an anthology of student artwork, including artworks - a visual journey and exploration of themes from students of RidgeWay-Crystal Beach High School. The exhibit will be up until May 24.

Now I would like to tell you about a cause that is near and dear to my heart. Knowing how willing this community is to help those in need, I'll give

you some background information. I am talking about the Steven Lewis Foundation, an organization which is active in more than 10 countries on the African continent providing much needed help to those who are effected by the AIDS crisis. The founder of Grandmothers called Marafiki has been part of the foundation's Grandmother to Grandmother Campaign. The Grandmothers to Grandmothers Campaign exists to support the African grandmothers who are caring for the growing numbers of children orphaned by AIDS since 2006. Please check out their website for more information: www.stevenlewisfoundation.org/index.cfm.

On May 17, the lovely ladies from Marafiki are holding a benefit concert at The Sanctuary - Centre for the Arts. They were able to enlist the help of Justin Hines - an amazing songwriter

and musician and philanthropist. Suffering from a rare genetic disease called Larsen's Syndrome, Justin seem to have dedicated his life to music and helping others. He has worked with countless organizations raising money for the good of others. In 2014, Justin became a Member of the Order of Ontario recognizing him for being a gifted singer and songwriter who has performed across the globe using his success to raise millions of dollars through the Justin Hines Foundation for dozens of charities throughout the world. And that is just one of many awards Justin has received in his career. It is sure to say it will be an unforgettable night. If you are still in need of tickets, please email Debra Malcolm at debram@optonline.net.

The Jam Zone is so very excited to present a Crystal Journey Concert by David

Hickey at the Sanctuary Centre for the Arts on May 23, from 7 to 9 pm. Tickets are available for only \$35.

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For those of you who have seen it, I need say no more, as

I know you will be there!

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We are so excited to welcome our friend Andy Brown back to our stage on May 30. Doors open at 8, the show starts with the beautiful and talented Katelyn Gatta - a rising Niagara star in the Niagara Niagara music scene - at 9 pm. A special performance by the Crystal Journey Concert Competition Finalist (2010, 2011, 2012, Folk/Singer-Songwriter Category). Andy Brown has emerged a must-see performer on the Canadian and International music scene. He has performed alongside some of Canada's top musicians such as The Trews, Matt Mays and Hawksley Workman.

To finish a very busy May, we have one more fun event up our sleeves. Our very own magician Edward Stone who mesmerized the audience and jury at "Canada's got talent" is performing on May 31. The door will be open at 8 pm. Edward will get magical at 9 pm.

Edward started his magic career at the tender age of 10. By 13, he was performing at private and corporate functions. In 2011, he introduced a bride and groom for one of Canada's biggest wedding shows, "The Great Canadian Wedding Show" in British Columbia.

In a magical way of course, The length of his magic career really show cases his passion for this discipline in entertainment.

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Stevensville celebrates spring

Sarah Ferguson
Fort Erie Times

It took slightly longer than usual, but spring has finally arrived.

And to celebrate the sea-

son, the Stevensville Kinsmen and Kinettes, with Fort Erie Fire Department's Fire Station 5, will celebrate the warm weather during Springfest on Saturday, June 7.

The morning begins with

breakfast. Volunteer firefighters with serve up a hearty breakfast of pancakes and sausages at the fire hall on Stevensville Road from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m.

The festivities will continue at Stevensville



FILE PHOTO Fort Erie Times

Ivan Antonucci, left, takes a shot at ring toss while John Arnott and Ludmila Antonucci cheer him on at Springfest in this file photo. The Stevensville Kinsmen and Kinettes are preparing for the annual event which will be held on June 7.

Memorial Hall from 10 a.m.

Proceeds from the event will be used for community initiatives and programs. In the past, funds from the event were used to help with the upkeep of Memory Park.

Kinnette Linda Housser, who organizes the event with fellow Kinnette Janey Brunning, said hundreds of people attend the event.

"It depends on the weather and people have no accurate exactly how many people come, but I would say in excess of 1,000 people."

There will be something for everyone with almost 50 vendors offering a variety of crafts, jewelry and upcycled items.

Brunning said woodcarving is back again this year, and people can also expect to see the Point Abino Lighthouse Association, Canadian Niagara Power, an antique power display, fire truck display, an auto extraction demo and an antique car.

"It will be a fun, special day," Housser said.

No one will leave Springfest hungry as there will be hot dogs, hamburgers, peanut bacon and other tasty treats to eat.

Housser encourages everyone who is interested in volunteering to contact the Kinsmen Club.

"We're trying to get more youth involved so if they need hours for community service, we would appreciate the help," she said.

Individuals interested in volunteering during Springfest can call 905-369-2032 for more information.

Admission to the event is free, but tickets will be sold for a raffle for a prize draw.

First prize is Deluxe Black and Decker barbecue; second prize is a De Walt two-pack drill and impact drive; third prize is a Samsung Galaxy 3 Tablet.

Housser said the raffled is sponsored by Meridian Credit Union and prizes for the event were donated by local businesses.

Tickets are on sale now and are available at the Stevensville branch of Meridian Credit Union, 2763 Garrison Rd. in Stevensville. Tickets can also be purchased from Kinsmen and Kinettes members.

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Horwath begins campaign in the Falls

Ray Spiteri
OMI Agency Niagara

NDP Leader Andrea Horwath kicked off her provincial election campaign with a stop in Niagara Falls last Wednesday.

Horwath was joined by Niagara Falls NDP MPP Wayne Gates near the Horseshoe Falls to meet with residents, visitors and the media.

Gates, a former city councillor, hopes to retain the seat he won just three months ago.

A spokesperson for Liberal Premier Kathleen Wynne and Progressive Conservative Leader Tim Hudak said it's too early to say when they may visit this spring.

Horwath, who visited the riding several times during the byelection, said she is confident about Gates' chances next month.

She said since Gates was elected, he has regularly brought up riding issues in the legislature and has shown the same passion he exhibited during the byelection.

"In February's byelection, we offered people a real choice. You sent Wayne Gates to Queen's Park to be a voice for the riding of Niagara Falls," said Horwath.

"The Hudak Conservatives threw everything they had at Wayne, but people weren't fooled. They knew it was just time for change that makes sense."

Gates said Horwath proved during the byelection that she cares about and understands the issues in the region.

"She was in Niagara Falls almost every day knocking on doors with me," he said. "I am so proud that you have come down on the first day (of the campaign). I know that you are a leader that understands that the province of Ontario does not stop at Burlington."

Bartolucci, who represented the Niagara Falls riding between 1995 and 2003, will once again represent the PC party as its riding candidate. Maves finished second, behind Gates, in the byelection.

The Liberals don't have a candidate yet. Niagara Falls city Coun. Joyce Morocco was the candidate during the byelection and placed third. She announced this week she will not be running again.

Clarke Bitter, who finished fourth in the byelection, will once again represent the Green Party.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING PROPOSED REGIONAL OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT (ROPA 5) Regional Official Plan Amendment: Source Water Protection

PROPOSED CHANGE

Regional Official Plan Amendment 5 (ROPA 5) proposes to add new policies and mapping related to protecting municipal drinking water in Niagara. An update to the Regional Official Plan is a key component in implementing the Source Protection Plan for the Niagara Peninsula Source Protection Area, which was approved by the Province in December 2013. ROPA 5 will add policies to the Regional Official Plan that protect municipal drinking water in areas identified around municipal surface water intakes called Intake Protection Zones. ROPA 5 will add a map to show municipal surface water Intake Protection Zones that exist in the City of Thorold, the City of Port Colborne and the City of Niagara Falls.

HAVE YOUR SAY

Public input on this proposed amendment is welcomed and encouraged. You can provide input by speaking at the public meeting or by making a written submission to the Region. If you do not express your views through these avenues, you may be forfeiting your right to appeal Council's decision to the Ontario Municipal Board.

PUBLIC MEETING

This public meeting is being held under the provisions of Section 17 of the *Planning Act* at the following time and place:

DATE: **Wed., June 4, 2014**
TIME: **1 p.m.**
LOCATION: **Niagara Region Headquarters –
Campbell West
Council Chambers
2201 St. David's Rd.
Thorold, ON**

WRITTEN SUBMISSION

To provide input in writing or to request personal notice if the proposed change is adopted, please send a letter c/o Regional Clerk, Niagara Region, 2201 St. David's Rd., P.O. Box 1042, Thorold, ON L2V 4T7, or email cathie.best@niagararegion.ca.

MORE INFORMATION

For more information about the proposed Amendment please contact Kailen Goerz, Planner by phone at 905-685-1571, ext. 3179 or email kallen.goerz@niagararegion.ca.

A copy of the proposed Amendment and information and materials related to the Amendment are available for inspection in the Planning and Development Services Department at the above address Monday to Friday between 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. and at www.niagararegion.ca.

If you require any accommodations for a disability in order to attend and participate in meetings or events, please let us know in advance so that arrangements can be made in a timely manner. Special accessibility accommodations and materials in alternate formats can be arranged by contacting the Niagara Region's Accessibility Advisory Coordinator at 905-685-4225 ext. 3252 or accessibility@niagararegion.ca.

LEGAL NOTICE Section 17 of the Planning Act

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Regional Municipality of Niagara before the proposed official plan amendment is adopted, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Council of the Regional Municipality of Niagara to the Ontario Municipal Board.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Regional Municipality of Niagara before the proposed official plan amendment is adopted, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Municipal Board unless, in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.

If you wish to be notified of the adoption of the proposed Official Policy Plan Amendment, you must make a written request to the Regional Clerk and such request must include the name and address to which such notice should be sent.

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Faces of poverty

Cheryl Clock
QMI Agency Niagara

A single mother whose husband has died. A man who lost his job when the plant closed. A family with an ill child.

All deserving of social assistance?

How about a man who never finished high school, hardly worked and smokes.

As if? "We judge," says Elaine Phach, executive director of Project SHARE in the Falls. "It's OK to help someone and not someone else."

Care in point: people who come to the food bank with donations, and refuse to give after seeing clients smoking outside of the building.

"They say, 'I'm sorry, I was going to give but if they're going to spend their money on cigarettes, I won't donate,'" she says.

"It's the deserving and undeserving."

We judge. We assume. We believe the myths of poverty.

Consider this statement: people living in poverty shouldn't be having babies.

Reasonable? We might rationalize if they don't have enough money to support themselves, they shouldn't have children.

Now consider this: what if you replaced "people living in poverty" with another marginalized group, says Sarah Pennisi, director of social assistance and employment opportunities for Niagara Region.

Let's say African Americans. New immigrants. Or people with disabilities.

Then what?

Similarly, we scream injustice, she says.

But somehow it's OK to make moral judgments

against the poor?

"It is so insidious it's not even recognized that it's a discrimination," says Pennisi.

"We take it for granted that we can make assumptions about people who are poor.

"They're not allowed the basic of all dignities.

"Poverty seems to be the one type of discrimination that we have some level of tolerance."

We separate. We draw lines. It's Us and Them.

They have alcohol and drug problems. They are lazy and make poor choices. They squander their money. They are uneducated, and poor because they don't want to work.

In fact, none of the above is true.

In fact, They are Us.

Adds Pennisi: "We could be them any day."

So, let's take a look at some of the beliefs we have about people who live in poverty. And then read what the experts say about what



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On April 22nd, Jay McGuire, owner of Sub King in Crystal Beach along with his staff and the Grade 8 students from Crystal Beach Public School gathered at the popular sub shop to celebrate their hard work over the past few months. They have all been working to raise money for Joshua Laviolette, a 13 year old boy who has Muscular Dystrophy and recently underwent surgery where rods were inserted to assist with sitting up straight. As a result, Joshua has grown three inches and also requires a wheelchair accessible van. Sub King donated \$1 from every sub sold to Joshua and raised \$670. The students raised \$500 to assist with the costs associated with purchasing the new vehicle.

Sub King, along with the students also fundraised for their end of school year trip to Camp Wahanowin. The students raised \$500 for the trip and Sub King donated \$370.

FILE PHOTO Fort Erie Times
Poverty can strike anyone, working class, retired, young and old. Over the next year QMI Agency Niagara will be spotlighting the faces of poverty in our own communities.

we thought to be true ...

Poverty is caused by poor choices; people only have themselves to blame.

Sarah Pennisi: The No. 1 reason people are poor? They can't find a job. And it's not because they're not trying. It's because they experience discrimination and other barriers to employment.

People who are more likely to live in poverty are: Disabled, women, First Nations, newcomers to Canada, mentally ill and seniors. Each group faces specific barriers to finding work at a living wage.

Betty Lou Sowle: "I don't judge anybody," she says. "We don't understand the circumstances that got them to where they are today."

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YOUR HEALTH



President's own story: 15 years ago I started to have arthritis, prostate, kidney, snoring and sleep apnea problems, which were all helped quickly with natural health products. I made it my life's purpose to help others. **Nick A. Jerch**

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By Dr. Chakib Hammoud,
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magic. Eddy Gruber, 25, Dover, OH ■ Galling

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morning. Therese Noto, 58, New York, NY.

SLEEP APNEA?

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■ Bell Middle Age Energy Booster changed our lives. All I can say is am very satisfied and so is my lovely wife. I can say I have my youthful energy back. My wife thanks you too. Raoul Martin, 52, Woodstock, ON ■ I should have started using Bell Middle Age Energy Booster years ago, when I noticed things were starting to slack off. The results were much better than I ever hoped for David Buckley, 42, Peterborough, ON ■ Bell in my turtles I eat a loss of energy and zest for life. I have tried every product on the market. This Bell Middle-Age Energy Booster is the best preparation for aging people. A. J. Carisse, 44, Fredericton, NB



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By Dr. Chakib Hammoud, M.H., Ph.D.

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FILE # 350302-0087

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Town of Fort Erie passed by-law No. 68-2014 being a by-law to adopt Amendment #23 to the Official Plan for the Town of Fort Erie Planning Area on the 12th day of May, 2014 under Section 22 of the Planning Act.

AND TAKE NOTICE that any person or public body may appeal to the Ontario Municipal Board in respect of the by-law by filing with the Clerk of the Town of Fort Erie no later than the 4th day of June, 2014 a notice of the appeal setting out the reasons for the appeal and the specific part of the proposed official plan amendment to which the appeal applies. Any appeal must be accompanied by the Board's fee of \$125.00. A certified cheque or money order made payable to the Minister of Finance must accompany the Notice of Appeal.

The proposed Official Plan Amendment #23 is exempt from approval by the Regional Municipality of Niagara and the decision of Council is final if a notice of appeal is not received before or on the last day for filing a Notice of Appeal.

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Only individuals, corporations or public bodies may appeal a decision of the Municipality to the Ontario Municipal Board. A Notice of Appeal may not be filed by an unincorporated association or group. However, a Notice of Appeal may be filed in the name of an individual who is a member of the association or the group on its behalf.

PURPOSE AND EFFECT

The purpose and effect of Amendment No. 23 is to change the land use designation of the lands shown on the location above from "Institutional" to "Urban Residential" to permit the use of the site for Urban Residential purposes.

INFORMATION WITH RESPECT TO THE AMENDMENT

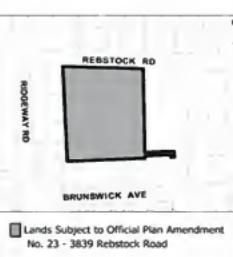
Information pertaining to the proposed Official Plan Amendment application and the adopted Official Plan Amendment #23 is available at the Clerk's Office and the Community and Development Services Department during regular office hours, and can also be found on the Town of Fort Erie Website: www.forterie.on.ca.

OTHER APPLICATIONS

An application for Zoning By-law Amendment, File No. 350309-0377, was approved by the Municipal Council of the Town of Fort Erie on May 12th, 2014.

DATED AT THE TOWN OF FORT ERIE THIS 15th day of May, 2014.

CAROLYN KETT, TOWN CLERK



TOWN OF FORT ERIE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT APPLICATION

 PURPOSE: ZONING BY-LAW 129-90 HOUSEKEEPING AMENDMENT - MEDICAL MARIJUANA GROW AND PRODUCTION FACILITIES

APPLICANT: TOWN OF FORT ERIE

APPLICATION #: 350309-0374

DATE: MONDAY, JUNE 9, 2014

LOCATION: COUNCIL CHAMBERS, TOWN HALL

1 MUNICIPAL CENTRE DRIVE, FORT ERIE TIME: 6:00 P.M.

A location map is not provided with this notice, as the proposed amendments apply to all lands within the corporation limits of the Town of Fort Erie.

PURPOSE: To hold a new public meeting as directed by Town Council to determine whether to pass a by-law to amend Comprehensive Zoning By-law 129-90. Following the public meeting, Council will determine if any changes to the existing Industrial IN Zone and Prestige Industrial PI Zone is warranted.

HAVE YOUR SAY

Input on the approved Zoning By-law is welcome and encouraged. You can provide input by speaking at the public meeting or by making a written submission to the Town.

WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS

To provide input in writing Zoning By-law Amendment, please send a letter c/o the Town Clerk Carolyn Kett, 1 Municipal Centre Drive, Fort Erie, Ontario, L2A 2S6 or an email to ckett@town.forterie.on.ca.

MORE INFORMATION

For further information please contact Kira Dolch Manager of Development Approvals at (905) 871-1600, extension 2502 or kdkett@town.forterie.on.ca. A copy of the Information Report will be available to the public by 5:00 PM on June 4th, 2014. The information report will be available in the Council agenda portion of the Town's Web Site: www.town.forterie.on.ca or from the Community and Development Services Department.

PLANNING ACT LEGAL NOTICE REQUIREMENTS

After considering any written comments before the public meeting and the comments from the public meeting itself, Council will determine whether or not a revision to the existing zoning by-law is warranted.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Town of Fort Erie before an amended Zoning By-law is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Town of Fort Erie Council to the Ontario Municipal Board.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at the public meeting, or make written submissions to the Town of Fort Erie before the amended Zoning By-law is passed, the person or public body may not be added as party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Municipal Board unless, in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

If you do not attend the public meeting but wish to be notified of the adoption of the amended Zoning By-law amendment, you are required to make a written request to Carolyn Kett, Town Clerk and such request should include the name and address to which such notice should be sent.

DATED THIS 15th day of May, 2014

CAROLYN KETT, TOWN CLERK

RICHARD F. BRADY, MA, MCIP, RPP, DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

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TOWN OF FORT ERIE
NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF
DOWNTOWN BRIDGEBURG CORE AREA
COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT PLAN
Planning Act, 1990, c. P 13, Sections 28

APPLICANT- TOWN OF FORT ERIE

FILE NO. 350202.000

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Town of Fort Erie passed By-Law Number 71-2014 being a by-law to adopt the Downtown Bridgeburg Core Area Community Improvement Plan (CIP) for the Town of Fort Erie on the 12th day of May, 2014 under Section 28 of the Planning Act.

AND TAKE NOTICE that any person or agency may appeal to the Ontario Municipal Board in respect of the by-law by filing with the Clerk of the Town of Fort Erie not later than 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 4, 2014, a notice of the appeal setting out the objection to the by-law and the reasons in support of the objection. Any appeal must be accompanied by the Board's fee of \$125.00. A certified cheque or money order in this amount made payable to the Minister of Finance must accompany the Notice of Appeal.

Any Notice of Appeal should be delivered to:

Carolyn Kett, Town Clerk
 Town of Fort Erie
 1 Municipal Centre Drive,
 Town of Fort Erie, Ontario
 L2A 2S6

The proposed Downtown Bridgeburg Core Area CIP is exempt from the approval of the Regional Municipality of Niagara and the decision of Council on the proposed Downtown Bridgeburg Core Area CIP is final, if a notice of appeal is not received on or before the last day for filing of a Notice of Appeal.

Only individuals, corporations and public bodies may appeal the by-law to the Ontario Municipal Board. A Notice of Appeal may not be filed by an unincorporated association or group. However, a Notice of Appeal may be filed in the name of an individual who is a member of the association or the group. An explanation of the Purpose and Effect of the By-Law, describing the lands to which the By-Law applies may be found below. The complete By-Law is available for inspection in the Clerk's office during regular office hours.

PURPOSE AND EFFECT

The purpose and effect of proposed Downtown Bridgeburg Core Area (CIP) is to implement a series of financial incentive programs aimed at stimulating private sector investment in enhancing the quality, presentation and maintenance of the existing building stock in the core area. It also encourages property owners to consider opportunities to increase residential density and the potential for commercial uses where this can be accommodated. The programs are designed as grant matching incentives, subject to minimum and maximum amounts, for the mixed use core area of Downtown Bridgeburg. The incentive programs include:

- Commercial Façade Improvement Grant Program
- Commercial Façade Signage Grant Program
- Residential Creation and Intensification Grant Program

The programs will be made available to qualifying property and/or business owners that meet with select criteria. Criteria and eligible funding amounts will be determined through an application process. All CIP financial incentives are subject to available funding.

INFORMATION WITH RESPECT TO THE CIP

Information pertaining to the proposed Downtown Bridgeburg Core Area Community Improvement Plan is available at the Community and Development Services Department, Town of Fort Erie, 1 Municipal Centre Drive and at the following website:

www.forterie.on.ca/pages/CommunityImprovementPlans

OTHER APPLICATIONS

Council also adopted By-Law 70-2014 on May 12th, 2014 designating the lands shown on the map herein, as the Downtown Bridgeburg Core Area Community Improvement Project Area, for the purpose of implementing the Downtown Bridgeburg Core Area CIP. By-Law 70-2014 also replaced By-Law 208-85, being a by-law that designated a former project area for a similar purpose.

DATED AT THE TOWN OF FORT ERIE THIS 15th day of May, 2014.

CAROLYN KETT, TOWN CLERK

TOWN OF FORT ERIE
NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF
DOWNTOWN RIDGEWAY CORE AREA
COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT PLAN
Planning Act, 1990, c. P 13, Sections 28

APPLICANT- TOWN OF FORT ERIE

FILE NO. 350202.004

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Town of Fort Erie passed By-Law Number 73-2014 being a by-law to adopt the Downtown Ridgeway Core Area Community Improvement Plan (CIP) for the Town of Fort Erie on the 12th day of May, 2014 under Section 28 of the Planning Act.

AND TAKE NOTICE that any person or agency may appeal to the Ontario Municipal Board in respect of the by-law by filing with the Clerk of the Town of Fort Erie not later than 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 4, 2014, a notice of the appeal setting out the objection to the by-law and the reasons in support of the objection. Any appeal must be accompanied by the Board's fee of \$125.00. A certified cheque or money order in this amount made payable to the Minister of Finance must accompany the Notice of Appeal.

Any Notice of Appeal should be delivered to:

Carolyn Kett, Town Clerk
 Town of Fort Erie
 1 Municipal Centre Drive,
 Town of Fort Erie, Ontario
 L2A 2S6

The proposed Downtown Ridgeway Core Area CIP is exempt from the approval of the Regional Municipality of Niagara and the decision of Council on the proposed Downtown Ridgeway Core Area CIP is final, if a notice of appeal is not received on or before the last day for filing a Notice of Appeal.

Only individuals, corporations and public bodies may appeal the by-law to the Ontario Municipal Board. A Notice of Appeal may not be filed by an unincorporated association or group. However, a Notice of Appeal may be filed in the name of an individual who is a member of the association or the group. An explanation of the Purpose and Effect of the By-Law, describing the lands to which the By-Law applies may be found below. The complete By-Law is available for inspection in the Clerk's office during regular office hours.

PURPOSE AND EFFECT

The purpose and effect of proposed Downtown Ridgeway Core Area (CIP) is to implement a series of financial incentive programs aimed at stimulating private sector investment in enhancing the quality, presentation and maintenance of the existing building stock in the core area. It also encourages property owners to consider opportunities to increase residential density and the potential for commercial uses where this can be accommodated. The programs are designed as grant matching incentives, subject to minimum and maximum amounts, for the mixed use core area of Downtown Ridgeway. The incentive programs include:

- Commercial Façade Improvement Grant Program
- Commercial Façade Signage Grant Program
- Residential Creation and Intensification Grant Program

The programs will be made available to qualifying property and/or business owners that meet with select criteria. Criteria and eligible funding amounts will be determined through an application process. All CIP financial incentives are subject to available funding.

INFORMATION WITH RESPECT TO THE CIP

Information pertaining to the proposed Downtown Ridgeway Core Area Community Improvement Plan is available at the Community and Development Services Department, Town of Fort Erie, 1 Municipal Centre Drive and at the following website:

www.forterie.on.ca/pages/CommunityImprovementPlans

OTHER APPLICATIONS

Council also adopted By-Law 72-2014 on May 12th, 2014 designating the lands shown on the map herein, as the Downtown Ridgeway Core Area Community Improvement Project Area for the sole purpose of implementing the Downtown Ridgeway Core Area CIP.

DATED AT THE TOWN OF FORT ERIE THIS 15th day of May, 2014.

CAROLYN KETT, TOWN CLERK



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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

REVISED PLAN OF SUBDIVISION AND ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT
APPLICANT/OWNER: UPPER CANADA CONSULTANTS ON BEHALF OF ASHTON
HOMES (WESTERN) LTD. (ALDO VERCILLO)
Applications: 350309-0059 & 350309-0348

DATE: JUNE 9, 2014

TIME: 6:00 PM

LOCATION: TOWN HALL, COUNCIL
CHAMBERS

PROPOSED CHANGE

An application for a Revised Plan of Subdivision and an application for a Zoning By-Law Amendment have been received for part of the Stormwater Management Block which is zoned Open Space OS-478 Zone permitting its use for stormwater management facility.

The applicant determined through the detailed design process that less space was required to accommodate the stormwater management property than was required in Block 39 (original Blocks 31 and 32 on the revised plan). The applicant has indicated they would like to develop the surplus lands within the stormwater management block as 2 single detached dwelling lots. The applicant has submitted an application to amend the Draft Plan of Subdivision end to change to Zoning of the subject property to Residential 2 A R2A Zone to permit the development of a portion of the stormwater management block for residential purposes.

HAVE YOUR SAY

Input on the proposed Zoning By-Law Amendment and Draft Plan of Subdivision is welcome and encouraged. You can provide input by speaking at the Public Meeting or by making a written submission to the Town. Please note that unless you do one of the above now, you may not be able to speak the decision later.

MORE INFORMATION

For further information please contact Matt Kehamra, Senior Development Planner at (905) 871-1600 extension 2507 or mik.mahar@town.forterie.on.ca. A copy of the Information Report will be available to the public by 5:00 PM on June 4th, 2014. The Information report will be available in the Council agenda portion of the Town's Web Site: www.town.forterie.on.ca or from the Community and Development Services Department.

WRITTEN SUBMISSION

To provide input in writing, or to request written notice of the decision of the Zoning By-Law Amendment, please send a letter c/o the Town Clerk Carolyn Kett, 1 Municipal Centre Drive, Fort Erie, Ontario, L2A 2S6 or an email to ckett@town.forterie.on.ca

PLANNING ACT LEGAL NOTICE REQUIREMENTS

The Town of Fort Erie has not yet made a decision regarding these applications.

After considering any written comments and the comments from the public meeting, a Recommendation Report will be prepared for a future Council-In-Committee meeting.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Town of Fort Erie in respect of the proposed Zoning By-Law amendment and revised Draft Plan of Subdivision before the amendments are passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Town of Fort Erie to the Ontario Municipal Board.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Town of Fort Erie in respect of the proposed Zoning By-Law amendment and revised Draft Plan of Subdivision before the amendments are passed, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Municipal Board.

If you wish to be notified of the adoption of the Zoning By-Law Amendment and revised Draft Plan of Subdivision, you must make a written request to the Carolyn Kett, Town Clerk and such request should include the name and address to which such notice should be sent.

Dated this 15th day of May, 2014

Carolyn Kett, Town Clerk

Richard F. Brady, MA, MCIP, PFP, Director of Community and Development Services

NOTICE OF COMPLETE APPLICATION AND PUBLIC MEETING

ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT
1711 DOMINION ROAD
OWNER: PETER PIERSKSI
Application: 350309-0380

DATE: JUNE 9, 2014

TIME: 6:00 PM

LOCATION: TOWN HALL, COUNCIL
CHAMBERS

LOCATION OF SUBJECT LANDS



LOCATION OF SUBJECT LANDS



PROPOSED CHANGE

A Zoning By-Law Amendment application has been received for the property located on the south side of Dominion Road, east of Rosehill Road with the municipal address 1711 Dominion Road. The subject property is zoned Rural Commercial C7 Zone. The Rural Commercial C7 Zone permits a variety of commercial uses and single detached dwellings, but single detached dwellings are only permitted as an accessory use to an existing commercial use. The applicant has indicated they are proposing buildings on the subject property and convert it to a single detached dwelling. Because a commercial use is not currently located on the property, the use of the building as a single detached dwelling is not permitted by the Zoning. The applicant has applied to have the Zoning on the property changed to permit a single detached dwelling only, with no commercial use present. The proposed zoning of the property will be a site specific Rural Commercial C7 Zone. The Zoning will permit all uses permitted in the Rural Commercial C7 Zone and a single detached dwelling that is not accessory to a commercial use.

HAVE YOUR SAY

Input on the proposed Zoning By-Law Amendment is welcome and encouraged. You can provide input by speaking at the Public Meeting or by making a written submission to the Town. Please note that unless you do one of the above now, you may not be able to speak the decision later.

MORE INFORMATION

For further information please contact Matt Kehamra, Senior Development Planner at (905) 871-1600 extension 2507 or mik.mahar@town.forterie.on.ca. A copy of the Information Report will be available to the public by 5:00 PM on June 4th, 2014. The Information report will be available in the Council agenda portion of the Town's Web Site: www.town.forterie.on.ca or from the Community and Development Services Department.

WRITTEN SUBMISSION

To provide input in writing, or to request written notice of the decision of the Zoning By-Law Amendment, please send a letter c/o the Town Clerk Carolyn Kett, 1 Municipal Centre Drive, Fort Erie, Ontario, L2A 2S6 or an email to ckett@town.forterie.on.ca

PLANNING ACT LEGAL NOTICE REQUIREMENTS

The Town of Fort Erie has not yet made a decision regarding this application.

After considering any written comments and the comments from the public meeting, Council-In-Committee at this meeting will consider a recommendation on the Zoning By-Law Amendment application.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Town of Fort Erie in respect of the proposed Zoning By-Law amendment before the By-Law is passed, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Municipal Board, unless in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

If you wish to be notified of the adoption of the Zoning By-Law Amendment, you must make a written request to the Carolyn Kett, Town Clerk and such request should include the name and address to which such notice should be sent.

Dated this 15th day of May, 2014

Carolyn Kett, Town Clerk

Richard F. Brady, MA, MCIP, PFP, Director of Community and Development Services

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Find out ahead of time if you are an eligible elector and if your information is correct. Visit voterlookup.ca or call MPAC at 1-866-296-6722.



NOTICE OF PASSING OF A ZONING BY-LAW

Planning Act, 1990, c. P 13, ss.34(18), O.Reg. 545/06

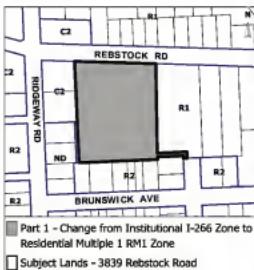
APPLICANT: UPPER CANADA CONSULTANTS

OWNER: PARKLANE HOMES (ED LENCHYSHYN)

FILE # 350309-0377

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Town of Fort Erie passed By-Law No 69-2014 on the 12th day of May, 2014 under section 34 of The Planning Act, 1990.

AND TAKE NOTICE that any person or agency may appeal to the Ontario Municipal Board in respect of the by-law by filing with the Clerk of the Town of Fort Erie not later than the 4th day of June, 2014, a notice of the appeal setting out the objection to the by-law and the reasons in support of the objection. Any appeal must be accompanied by the Board's fee of \$125.00. A certified cheque or money order in this amount made payable to the Minister of Finance must accompany the Notice of Appeal.



Part 1 - Change from Institutional I-266 Zone to Residential Multiple 1 RM1 Zone

Subject Lands - 3839 Rebstock Road

Only individuals, corporations and public bodies may appeal a zoning by-law to the Ontario Municipal Board. A Notice of Appeal may not be filed by an unincorporated association or group. However, a Notice of Appeal may be filed in the name of an individual who is a member of the association or the group on its behalf. No person or public body shall be added as a party to the hearing of the appeal unless, before the by-law was passed, the person or public body made oral submissions at a public meeting or written submissions to the council or, in the opinion of the Ontario Municipal Board, there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.

An explanation of the Purpose and Effect of the By-law, describing the lands to which the By-law applies may be found below and a key map showing the location of the lands to which the By-law applies is shown above. The complete By-law is available for inspection in the Clerk's office during regular office hours and can also be found on the Town of Fort Erie Website: www.forterie.on.ca.

PURPOSE AND EFFECT

The purpose and effect of By-law No. 69-2014 is to amend Town of Fort Erie Comprehensive Zoning By-law 129-90 by changing the zoning of lands indicated as Part 1 on the location map shown above from "Institutional (I-266) Zone" to "Residential Multiple (RM1) Zone".

OTHER APPLICATIONS

An application for Official Plan Amendment, File No. 350302-0087, was approved by the Municipal Council of the Town of Fort Erie on May 12th, 2014.

DATED AT THE TOWN OF FORT ERIE THIS 15TH DAY OF MAY, 2014
CAROLYN KETT, TOWN CLERK

45% of unemployed have post-secondary education

From Page 12

Dariene Cluffetelli Parker: More and more jobs are part time, seasonal, and contract, all with no insurance coverage. People experience life-changing events like illness,

death of a spouse and job loss. "Yet people still carry a stigma."

People who live in poverty are uneducated.

Consider this from the Niagara Poverty Reduction Network: While a higher

level of education does decrease the risk of poverty, 45 per cent of the unemployed in Canada have a post-secondary education.

Sarah Pennisi: In fact, there are people with one or two degrees who are unable

to find work. Maybe they can't find a good paying job in their field, they don't have the right experience, or they face other barriers.

People "work" the system

Sarah Pennisi: Studies show that fraud in welfare is about 3%. In comparison tax fraud is between 20-30%.

The system has built in, vigorous verification that continues after a person's application for assistance is accepted. Most welfare fraud is simple and easily detected, and most turn out to be unsubstantiated. Ontario Works recipients must face to face with a caseworker every three months, and they must show proof of financial need as well as have a plan to work find.

People on assistance squander their money

Elaine Phibach: "I hear people say they're blowing all their money on bingo, gambling and fast food," she says. "But they don't have the money to pay for their needs, let alone their wants."

People want to be on assistance

Betty-Lou Souter: "People want to be independent and self-sufficient," she says. "They want to have pride."

"Does anybody want to worry from day to day if they're able to feed themselves?"

Elaine Phibach: "If you didn't have to, why would you sit in a waiting room for

an hour to get food?"

It's easy for a family to live on assistance; they just have to

Sarah Pennisi: A single person on Ontario Works receives \$606 monthly to cover shelter, food and living costs. That's \$7,512 annually (\$8,413 with other benefits and tax credits).

They would need to make double that amount, just to reach the poverty line.

The poverty line for a single person is an after-tax income of \$19,460.

A couple with two children on Ontario Works makes \$13,920 annually (\$28,067 with tax credits and benefits). The poverty line is \$30,920.

A food bank diet is healthy and it's all people need.

Betty-Lou Souter: People need a balanced diet, and they won't get it from a food bank. Missing at a food bank is protein. It's rare to have meat, and they have eggs to offer people once a month.

People use the food bank everyday

Betty-Lou Souter: People get the food bank every other month (or six times a year), or more frequently in emergency situations only. They have a limited amount of protein to apply to food items on each visit. That amount of food will last them about a week.

"It's to supplement what they have," she says. "It's to

make food dollars stretch," she says.

Elaine Phibach: At Project SHARE, clients visit the food bank once a month and get enough food for 3-4 days. Every week, they can return to pick up some bread, fruits and vegetables if available. "It's emergency food, to get them through to the next paycheque."

People on assistance don't have a right to luxuries. Think cigarettes, alcohol, pets, cell phone, and internet.

Catherine Livingston: "I'm not making an excuse," she says. "But we need to understand it from a different level."

In our society, we have a problem with maintaining the status quo and getting into debt. "How is that any different than being on social assistance and trying to maintain the status quo?"

When you try to fit into a society that is so materiallyistic. Where we need instant gratification and you don't have the best coping skills?

"It's what you've learned. Is it right? No."

"It's a product of wanting to be like everyone else," she says.

Loneliness might be necessities to some people. Pets could be a cure for loneliness.

See Page 23



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LYME DISEASE: WHAT MAKES IT TICK?

As temperatures begin to finally rise across southern Ontario after several weeks of gloomy weather, many Niagara residents are eager to bring out their summer wardrobe.

However, it doesn't take long before we quickly remember that along with the summer heat comes the return of mosquitoes, spiders, and ticks. In Ontario, most residents are well informed about the illnesses mosquitoes can spread and ways of protecting yourself. But how informed are we about ticks?

There are many different species of ticks; however, the one that is of concern is the black legged tick, also known as the deer tick. This sesame seed sized tick can be the host to the bacteria that can cause Lyme disease, which, if untreated, can result in arthritis, heart problems, and various nervous system problems. The American brown dog tick is approximately half a centimeter and has not been shown to carry Lyme disease.

The Niagara region has a high concentration of ticks, especially in the areas surrounding Lake Erie. The Niagara Health Department recommends wearing pants and long sleeved shirts when walking in wooded areas to minimize the chances of a tick bite.

If you notice a tick has attached to your skin, it should be removed immediately by grabbing the head with a pair of tweezers and pulling straight up. Do not try to burn the tick off of the skin using a match or lighter. The area should then be washed with soap and water. If you are unable to remove the entire tick, you should give your doctor a call and they can remove it for you. The tick can be brought to the health department for analysis to see if it was infected with the bacteria that causes Lyme disease.

Ticks often pick up the bacteria that cause Lyme disease while feeding on infected rodents. However, it should be noted that most ticks are not carriers.

The majority of people who are bitten by ticks do not develop Lyme disease, however if you notice a red bullseye rash on the skin, develop a fever, headache or muscle and joint pains, you should seek medical attention. The symptoms typically develop within 1 to 2 weeks of a bite. Lyme disease can often be cured with antibiotics if treatment is started early.

For more information about Lyme disease or information about ticks and where to drop them off, you can call 1-888-505-6074.

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Pereria making a name in kickboxing

Sarah Ferguson
Fort Erie Times

Having won a gold medal at the 2014 Canadian National Championship, Christian Pereira is quickly making a name for herself in the kickboxing world.

Pereira competed in the Canadian National Championship which was held in Burlington from April 25 to 27.

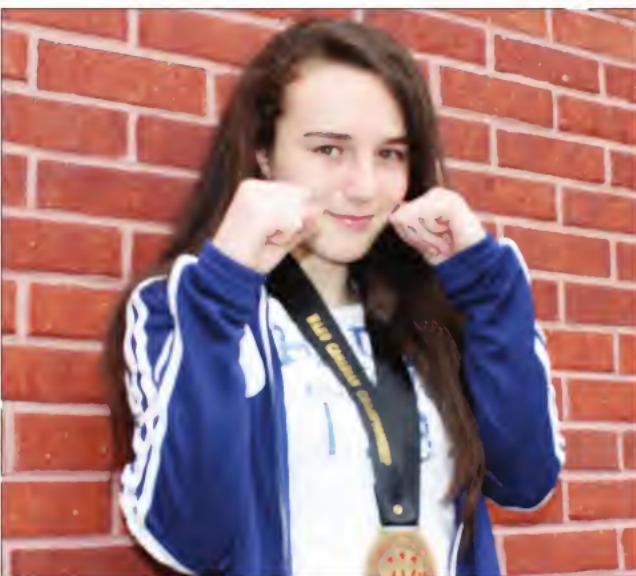
She also competed in the Ontario Winter Games, which was held in February in Muskoka. At the Games, Pereira took a bronze medal.

"I lost in the semi-finals. I hit with the wrong part of the glove. Even though I beat the silver medalist, I finished with a bronze," Pereira said about her performance at the Winter Games.

"The Winter Games was a learning experience for me."

The 13 year-old Bertie Public School student stepped up her training from six days a week to seven days, and has added swimming to her regimen to improve her endurance and lung capacity.

She has also attended several training camps to improve her performance.



SARAH FERGUSON Fort Erie Times

Christian Pereira won a gold medal at the Canadian National Championship in kickboxing. The 13 year-old Bertie Public School student has set her sights on the World Championships in September.

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Pereira trains out of Modern Vision Mixed Martial Arts in Welland and Irwin Boxing in Niagara Falls.

The youth is worker harder than ever for the chance to compete at the World Championships, which will be held in Italy in September.

"I am definitely training for that (the World Championships)."

Whether it's a local competition, or a large one with competitors from all over the world, Pereira said she is dedicated to her training.

Fort Erie's athletes and coaches to be honoured

Sarah Ferguson
Fort Erie Times

This year's list of inductees in the Fort Erie Sports Wall of Fame includes an accomplished Lacrosse player, a figure skater, a hockey player and businessman, and 24 football coaches.

The Fort Erie Kinsmen will honour Travis Hill, an amateur professional lacrosse player, Bill Neal, an amateur Olympian and professional skater, Doug Reid, an amateur

and professional hockey player, and Fort Erie Secondary School and Ridgeway-Crystal Beach High School alumni of football coaches.

Kinsmen Club president Larry Graber said he is looking forward to this year's induction ceremony which will be held Friday, June 20 at the Fort Erie Leisureplex Banquet Room at 6 p.m.

Graber said the Kinsmen has organized the event when the organization took over the event in 2006.

He said the Kinsmen Club took the ceremony over because "it didn't get the attention it needed" to flourish.

"The Kinsmen took it on as a project to revitalize it and relocate it," Graber said.

In 2007, the organization moved the location of the hall from a nondescript spot in the Leisureplex to a wall inside the main Kinsmen Arena.

"It's the 10th anniversary of the ceremony this year and I think we have

helped to develop a nice history highlighting individual contributions to sports in the community," Graber said.

The ceremony will feature sports memorabilia and prizes.

Tickets to the ceremony are \$50 per person and can be purchased by calling Michael George Law Office at 905 871 6705 or mgeorge@bellnet.ca.

In the weeks leading up to the event, the Fort Erie Times will feature of this year's inductees.

Who: The Fort Erie Kinsmen

What: The Fort Erie Sports Wall of Fame

When: Friday, June 20 at 6 p.m.

Where: Fort Erie Leisureplex Banquet Room, 3 Municipal Centre Dr, Fort Erie.

Why: To highlight individuals who have made a contribution to sports history in the community.

For more information visit online at www.the-forteriekinsmen.org.

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Kickboxer learns to never underestimate opponents

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"I train very hard for all of my competitions. Because of the time difference in Italy, I've heard some athletes wake up

and go for a run at 3 a.m. so they get used to it when they compete in different countries," Pereira said. "If that's what it takes to get to the World Championships, that is

what I will do."

Pereira has only been in the ring for a year and a half, but during that time she has learned a lot.

"I learned never to underestimate my oppo-

nents," she said.

"I've also learned that if I'm not focused (on training), you're not going to be able to do it. Because I have learned more and have a stronger founda-

tion, I realize the world of fighting is instincts and I can't master it all."

Pereira said she remains focused on improving her skills as a fighter.

"I've also had a lot of

supporters and it was amazing to see people I didn't even know cheer me on at competitions."

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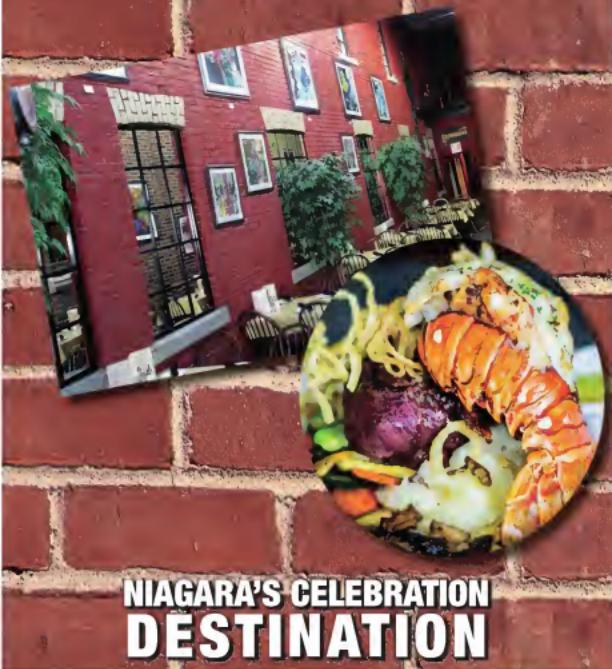
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45% of unemployed have post-secondary education

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Elaine Pihach: A study of food bank clients and reasons for smoking received responses like these: That's the only time I feel in control, it's the one and only thing I enjoy.

"I'm not arguing that's good," she says. "But if that's the only pleasure you feel ... People are people no matter what they're income level is."

They are lazy. They don't want to work.

People who are poor face many barriers to employment, says Catherine Livingston. Literacy. No place to shower. Lack of confidence. No formal education. Just to name a few.

A job that pays a living wage is no easy find. "Not one that can support you," she says.

Consider this from the Niagara Poverty Reduction Network: 78% of people who live in poverty, work full-time.

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Children in poverty are more likely to experience low academic achievement, health problems, early pregnancy, homelessness, lower high school graduation rates and poor employment outcomes.

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Darlene Cluettell Parker: "Poverty has serious, long-lasting impacts on children and learning," she says. For example, many children who live in poverty can't read at the same level as their peers. If they're not healthy (lack of healthy foods, etc.), their brains don't function as well. The education system also assumes that mom and dad are reading at home with their children. "But maybe

mom and dad aren't at home because they have five jobs."

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Sarah Pannist, director of social assistance and employment opportunities, Niagara Region.

Catherine Livingston, program manager, Housing Help Program, Community Care of St. Catharines and Thorold.

Elaine Pihach, executive director, Project Share, Niagara Falls.

Betty-Lou Souter, CEO, Community Care, St. Catharines & Thorold.

Darlene Cluettell Parker, associate professor, Faculty of Education at Brock University.



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In photo at right: Darlene Cluettell Parker, associate professor, Faculty of Education at Brock University.

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Theatre gives outlet for self expression

Sarah Ferguson
Fort Erie Times

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SARAH FERGUSON Fort Erie Times

Ashley Krawczyka and Anastasia Stefanik have opened their new theatre company, Down the Rabbit Hole, which will operate out of the Sanctuary Centre for the Arts. The duo will begin offering drama classes for youth ages six to 12.

where they can express themselves.

Krawczyka, 28, and Stefanik, 29, met as children when they joined Gypsy Theatre in Fort Erie. Although the theatre no longer exists, both said the Gypsy stage became their home.

"Being in theatre gives children an outlet for self

expression," Stefanik said.

"Drama isn't always available in schools because of funding cutbacks or other reasons. And not every kid is good at certain things like sports, there are some kids who are super good at hock-

ie while other children need something else," she added.

That's why both Krawczyka

and Stefanik have decided to open their own theatre company called Down The Rabbit Hole Theatre Company.

"The name came out of our love for Alice in Wonderland. The name to us means a world of imagination," Stefanik said.

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Fallis final author for Ridgeway Reads

Sarah Ferguson

Fort Erie Times

Terry Fallis is the final author featured in the Ridgeway Reads Literary Series.

He'll visit Ridgeway-Crystal Beach High School, 576 Ridge Rd, on May 16 at 7 p.m. to discuss his book Up and Down.

Up and Down is about David Stewart, fresh from the Canadian Space Ministry, who proposes NASA revitalize their public relations with a Citizen Astronaut.

A lottery for one Canadian and one American to visit the

International Space Station chooses a too-perfect Texan along with an aged lesbian bush doctor pilot.

Fallis will also bring copies of his new book, No Relation, will also be available.

Tickets are \$5 at the door, or \$25 to become a member of the Ridgeway Reads Literary Society and all spring and fall reading series events are free.

For more information about the reading series and upcoming events visit online at www.ridgewayreads.com.

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Terry Fallis will be the final author for the Ridgeway Reads Literary Series.

Underwater Recovery donates to COPE



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Last week the Fort Erie Underwater Recovery Unit delivered a selection of food items to the Fort Erie COPE group to assist in refilling the shelves for a short while. From left, Larry Mathewson, Dan McDermott, Jim Traves (president), Barb Volzke, Manager of COPE.

Bringing theatre to community

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Krawczyka and Stefanik both attended university for drama and education and have received certification to become teachers. But both said they wanted to teach children specifically in the arts.

"We both love working with children and we've both been involved with the theatre for much of our lives," Krawczyka said.

They will teach eight-week

classes beginning on May 21 at the Sanctuary Centre for the Arts in Ridgeway for children ages six to 12. The cost is \$80 per child.

At the end of the eight-week course, the children will put on a performance for family and friends specifically in the arts.

"We want to bring it (theatre) to the community rather than having people leave to do it elsewhere," Krawczyka said.

"We'll do something different each week. We'll cover every-

thing from improvisation, to movement, story telling, choral reading and movement and mask work."

For more information about Down the Rabbit Hole Theatre Company, call Krawczyka and Stefanik at 289-896-2467 or 905-401-2575 or e-mail them at downtherabbit hole theatre@ gmail.com

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Social justice part of childhood

Sarah Ferguson
Fort Erie Times

As a lifelong Fort Erie resident, Theresa Anzovino knows the importance of understanding diversity.

"My experience with diversity comes from growing up in a family that was very involved in working with refugees in the community."

Anzovino's family was one of several families in the community that assisted incoming refugees fleeing persecution.

"At that time when I was growing up, there was a group of families in Fort Erie that learned from an immigration officer that many people crossing the border had no place to go," she said.

"These families decided they would help and start hosting people out of their homes."

Anzovino's parents welcomed many refugees into their home and helped them "in different ways."

"Social justice was part of my early childhood," she said.

As the need for more families needed to host refugees grew, Casa El Norte, a transitional home that offers shelter for refugees coming into Canada, and the Fort Erie Multicultural Centre.

When Anzovino pursued post secondary education, it made sense to study social justice and equality.

"When I finished, I worked in a number of small jobs. I started teaching English as a second language and I worked with the multicultural centre and eventually became the director. I worked there for 14 years, which was a life-changing experience," Anzovino said.

"Refugees have changed the face of Fort Erie and

the Niagara region."

For the last eight years, Anzovino has taught Sociology at Niagara College and recently published her book *Walk a Mile: Experiencing and Understanding Diversity in Canada*.

"I have found my niche (teaching at Niagara College) and I love it. I wonder how I can be so lucky to be doing what I love doing on a daily basis."

Anzovino's book is co-authored by Dr. Deborah Boutilier with contributed chapters by Samah

Anzovino was also the recipient of the Faculty Award of Excellence by Niagara College this September.

"It was a great honour. I haven't been at Niagara College that long."

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Lifelong passion for social justice led Theresa Anzovino to her career teaching Sociology at Niagara College and publishing her own book.

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Cadet sets his sights high

Sarah Ferguson
Fort Erie Times

There's nothing Gareth Nielsen loves more than the feeling of being in the air.

The 17 year-old Lakeshore Catholic High School student said there is nothing better than flying.

"When you get up there, it's freeing."

Nielsen, who is a flight ser-

gent with the Air Cadets 337 Squadron, has been accepted into the Central Region Power Scholarship Summer Training Course, a prestigious program, where he will train for three weeks.

Nielsen has also obtained more than 20 hours of flight time and passed required examinations. For his efforts, Nielsen has received his Familiarization rating from

the Southern Ontario Gilding School which allows him to instruct junior cadets and fly them during weekend training.

"I've always like it (flying), ever since I was a young kid," Nielsen said.

Joining the air cadets, which meets every Wednesday evening at the Fort Erie Leisureplex, has allowed Nielsen to realize his



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SARAH FERGUSON Fort Erie Times
Gareth Nielsen of Lakeshore Catholic High School has been accepted into the Central Region Power Scholarship Summer Training course, which is a prestigious program where he will earn his private pilot licence.

dream of flying.

"This (being an air cadet) is my opportunity (to fly). Private flying lessons are expensive and it's something my parents would not other-wise be able to afford," he said.

Nielsen joined the air cadets when he was 12 years-old and has spent the last four summers training to earn his private pilot licence. He is a graduate of the Royal Canadian Air Cadet Leadership Training Course, the Rifle Coaching Course and the Advanced Aviation Course.

Last summer, he graduated from the Gilder Scholarship Course at 8 Wing Trenton.

Nielsen said his hard work and effort have paid off, but obtaining the credentials from the Southern Ontario Gilding School was difficult.

"The first time I applied, I didn't get accepted into the program. But I picked up my stuff and I did it again," he said.

"I'm sure at some point I thought at parts (that I wanted to quit) but this is something that I have always wanted to do and I never gave up."

• Nielsen could offer advice to his fellow cadets who are working toward their private pilot licence it would be this: "Keep at it and work harder. The harder you work at something, the better your results will be."

Nagging can be a health hazard, study says

QMI Agency

and have weaker support networks than women.

According to The Independent, scientists studied data from 9,875 men and women between the ages of 36 and 52. All were asked questions about their everyday social relationships.

Researchers analyzed the connection between recurrent arguments and general worry in relationships and mortality, and discovered that people who had reported frequent demands from a

partner had a 50-100% increased mortality risk. Those who experienced regular conflicts within any type of relationship had a two to three times increased mortality risk, they claim.

"Having an argument every now and then is fine, but having it all the time seems dangerous," study researcher Rikke Lund, an associate professor of medical sociology at University of Copenhagen, said. "Worrying about people

is a character of us loving them. It's just when it takes up all of your time that it's unhealthy."

About one in 10 participants in the study said their partners or children were a frequent source of worry or placed excess demands on them.

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Study suggests those who are nagged frequently have a 50 to 100% increased mortality risk.



Keep nagging your man and you'll send him to an early grave, a new study claims.

Carried out by scientists at the University of Copenhagen and published in the Journal of Epidemiology and Community Health, the study says men may be more significantly affected because they tend to keep problems bottled up

Wine and chocolate won't help you live longer

QMI Agency

Drink red wine and eat chocolate for fun, but don't expect it to improve your health, a new study says.

Researchers from Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore looked at data from a study involving 783 elderly men and women who lived in two villages in the Chianti Region of Italy between 1998 and 2009.

They wanted to see if resveratrol, the compound found in red wine, chocolate and grapes that's been credited with better heart health, actually has the health benefits it's been credited with.

The researchers used urine tests to look for resveratrol levels.

During nine years of follow-up, 268 participants died. Of those who were free of cardiovascular disease, 27.2% developed it during the follow-up, while 4.6% those who were cancer-free

in 1998 developed cancer.

The researchers found there was "no association between urinary resveratrol metabolites and longevity" and resveratrol "does not have a substantial influence on inflammation, cardiovascular disease, cancer, or longevity."

The study has been published in the Journal of the American Medical Association Internal Medicine.

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For the Love of Colour

Last week, I offered some suggestions about how to start planning a garden. Now that you've gotten some ideas of what you like (and don't), made some notes about what activities you want to use your garden for, it's time to start thinking about colour combinations. All colours can work with each other, but to make things simpler, using a colour wheel can help. Here are some guidelines to keep in mind.



Monochromatic: Different shades and tones of the same colour. (Pale pink, rose pink, deep fuchsia).

Analogous: 2 or 3 colours that are beside each other on the colour wheel (red, orange and yellow).

Complimentary: Colours that are opposites on the colour wheel (red/green; orange/blue; yellow/purple).

Polychromatic: A mix of various colours.

Triad: 3 colours that are spaced evenly around the colour wheel (violet, green, orange).

I'll talk a little more about each type of colour scheme and offer some examples in upcoming articles.

Gabrielle Todd is a member of the Fort Erie Commeilleurs-in-Bloom



Daffodils juxtaposed with an antique farm plow makes a bold statement with the contrast not only of colours, but materials as well. Heather Light's garden on Ridge Rd pulls various natural elements together to showcase a beautiful country garden.

Photo courtesy of Patricia Bennett



Commeilleurs-in-Bloom is committed to fostering civic pride, environmental responsibility and beautification through community involvement and the development of a natural program, with a focus on enhancing green spaces in communities.



New home, new life

Alison Langley
QMI Agency Niagara

Kristy Montgomery promised herself she wouldn't cry.

She broke that promise in a matter of minutes.

Emotion overtook the mother of two Thursday as she stood at an empty lot that will soon be transformed into a three-bedroom, 1,033-square-foot bungalow.

"This is like winning the lottery to us," she said.

"There's no better way to describe it."

Montgomery and her fiancé Bernie Korten are the recipients of Habitat for Humanity Niagara's next build.

The home, on Rosedale Dr. will be the agency's 42nd home built in the Niagara region.

"I just can't express how welcome we feel in the community and how excited we are to be able to raise our children in a happy, healthy, stable environment," Montgomery added.

"This house will be cher-

ished and loved."

The Habitat program provides selected low-income families with a new home.

It's considered a hand up, not a hand out.

"Our houses are not given away, despite what most people might think," explained Peter McConnell, chairman of the Habitat Niagara board.

"Our partner families own their Habitat homes and repay a mortgage, like everyone else."

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ALISON LANGLEY QMI Agency Niagara

Kristy Montgomery and Bernie Korten, together with their children Violet and Benjamin, are the recipients of Habitat for Humanity Niagara's next build. The home, on Rosedale Dr. will be the agency's 42nd home built in the Niagara region.



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The Korten family has already volunteered almost 300 hours towards that goal.

The project will be the first "community-build" for Habitat for Humanity Niagara, explained chief executive officer Alastair

Devis.

In the past, homes were built through a partnership with the District School Board of Niagara.

The latest home will be built by representatives from local organizations, community groups and service clubs.

"This is a chance for our partners and donors to come together," Davis said.

Staff at Constellation Brands, which owns Vincor Canada wineries, is eager

to get to work, said president Ben Doliard.

"Congratulations on what will be an amazing journey ahead for you, and for us as a company," he told the family.

The couple are currently living in a cramped 700-square-foot apartment in Niagara Falls with their two young children, Violet, two, and eight-month-old Benjamin.

Friends since grade school, the duo plan to get married in June.

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Hudak defends plan to cut public-sector jobs

Ray Spiteri
O&M Agency Niagara

It's unclear how many public-sector jobs would be lost in Niagara if a Tim Hudak-led provincial government made good on a promise to chop 100,000 civil servant positions across Ontario.

"We'll be smart, we'll be thoughtful," the Progressive Conservative leader said when asked what his pledge would mean for government workers in his home region.

"This basically takes us down to 2009 levels of employment in government — it's expanded that much."

Hudak toured Stanpac, a manufacturing company in Smithville, Monday as part of the provincial election campaign.

He said a PC government would bring energy bills under control, which would allow employers to create 40,000 new private-sector jobs.

It's part of Hudak's eight-year plan, which he said can be accomplished if government can help create a climate for businesses to succeed, and if the size and cost of government is reduced.

Hudak said currently, companies are dropping jobs and opportunities to other provinces and U.S. states with significantly lower hydro rates.

Murray Bain, vice-president of marketing at Stanpac, said the company owns two plants — one in Smithville and one in Texas.

"Hydro rates at our plant in Texas are 60% lower than they are here," he said. "Corporate welfare provided only a short-term solution. In order for Stanpac to grow and remain competitive in Ontario, we need a govern-

MILLION JOBS PLAN



MIKE DIBATTISTA Niagara Falls Review

Ontario PC Leader Tim Hudak said his government will allow employers to create 40,000 new jobs by guaranteeing affordable energy, as part of his party's million-jobs plan. On Monday, May 12, 2014, he toured Stanpac, a manufacturing plant in Smithville.

ment with a plan to bring predictable and affordable energy back to Ontario. We feel Tim Hudak is the only leader with that plan."

The Liberal government said for the third time in a week, Hudak visited a business that is flourishing after they partnered with them.

The government said they

worked with Stanpac in 2008 by providing a \$2.8-million loan, which helped the company expand its operations, invest in new machinery and create 80 new jobs.

The government said Stanpac's Smithville site is still hiring.

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Bouquet for Crystal Beach couple

A bouquet for the Crystal Beach couple who donned hip waders and rubber gloves to spend their weekend cleaning the ditch that runs along the wooded roadside, on Schooley Ave. between Rebstock and Michener Roads. This corridor is a favourite spot for drive by dumpers who discard garbage bags and all manner of trash. The cleaners told me they even found a pregnancy test. Their pickup truck was loaded to capacity. Kudos to you both for your community pride.

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Biolyse vows to fight government suspension

Don Fraser
QMI Agency Niagara

to the Canadian market, said the inspection process was seriously flawed — a charge Health Canada disputes.

The federal department has also not recalled previous batches of the drug that have been manufactured at the Welland Vale Rd. facility.

It says Biolyse is not permitted to sell paclitaxel from that facility to the Canadian market until "the serious manufacturing concerns are fully addressed and the suspension on their establishment license is lifted."

While the department is still working with the firm, it is not known when, or if this will take place.

"We're basically shut down right now," said Biolyse president Brigitte Kiecken on Monday. "But

we're still fighting."

Kiecken adds her company was poised to add a new clean room and at least another 200 people to make new cancer drugs.

"We were in the process of expanding and we have two products being reviewed here ... 14 were on their way," she said. "All this has stopped."

In a release, Biolyse says it is the only Canadian manufacturer of paclitaxel for injection.

The company maintains it has driven the price of its generic product — used for treatment in cancers like lung and breast — down significantly over the years.

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Only a skeleton staff remains at Biolyse Pharma, as its president vows to fight a licence suspension.

About 55 of its staff of 60 are on temporary layoff at the St. Catharines company which makes the injectable chemotherapy drug paclitaxel.

On April 11, Health Canada pulled the firm's licence, citing an inspection since January that showed a "significant concern" in areas such as manufacturing, chemical and microbiological testing and documentation.

Biolyse, which says it supplied about 80% of the drug



JULIE JOCSAK QMI Agency Niagara

File photo of Biolyse Pharma president Brigitte Kiecken, who was photographed with some of her staff at Biolyse Pharma on Wellandvale Ave. in St. Catharines.

Shrinking public payroll would save billions, says Hudak

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During Monday's press conference at Stancap, Hudak told media he was confident the jobs lost in the

public sector would be made up by the private sector if hydro is more affordable, if taxes are lowered and if government can reduce its debt.

He said shrinking the public payroll by 10% would save \$2 billion and help balance the budget by 2016.

Frontline service providers such as nurses, doctors

and police would not be touched, he said. While he would keep full-day kindergarten, Hudak said he would change the staffing model and increase some class sizes. The move would mean fewer teachers would be required in the future.

"This is not an easy thing to do and this impacts on my family, too," Hudak told QMI Agency Niagara.

"But when I talk to job creators in Niagara Falls or Smithville or Toronto, they tell me the most important thing to give them confidence to hire more people is to get the books balanced and spend within your means.

"Governments that are deep in debt, they actually chase away jobs, that's why we've lost 300,000 good manufacturing jobs, a lot in Niagara."

The PCs would axe a number of government programs and agencies, such as Local Health Integration Networks.

LHINs are provincial agencies, including in Niagara, responsible for health-care funding and planning in funding regions across Ontario.

"If I have to close down the LHINs so could build the south Niagara hospital, I'd do that in a second," said

Hudak.

Larry Savage, director for Brock University's Centre for Labour Studies, said he doesn't believe Hudak's jobs plan "adds up."

"It would be incredibly difficult if not impossible, to see 1.1 million jobs go to fill that campaign commitment," said Savage.

He said cutting that many public jobs would actually put more of a strain on taxpayers because more people would rely on the public purse for employment insurance and potentially social assistance.

Savage said it would hurt the "purchasing power" of people that would be unemployed, leading to a "direct negative impact on the private sector."

"Think of some of the bigger employers in the Niagara region — Niagara Health System, Brock University, Niagara College — these are all potential targets for the 100,000 in jobs that are lost."

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Man with 'need' to kill undergoing more tests

Karena Walter
ONMI Agency Niagara

The assessment could be used by the Crown for an application to find Ashford a dangerous or long-term offender.

A St. Catharines man who tried to stab a woman to death in Niagara Falls will undergo further assessment at the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health.

Peter Ashford, 21, pleaded guilty to attempted murder in November 2013 but has not yet been sentenced because the Crown applied to have him undergo a psychological assessment.

On Monday in St. Catharines, the Crown asked that an assessment order from March 12, 2014 be amended because assessors require more time for testing.

Ashford, who appeared briefly in the Ontario Court of Justice, is scheduled to undergo phallometric testing at the Centre for Addiction and Mental

Health's Sexual Behaviour Clinic this week.

His next court date is June 16.

Ashford remains in custody after stabbing a woman at a Super 8 hotel on Ferry St. on Feb. 10, 2013.

The court heard previously he told his family he was going to buy gas in Niagara Falls, but instead arranged to meet an escort at the hotel. He showed up for the meeting with a six-inch-blade up his sleeve and stabbed the woman twice in the abdomen when she turned her back. The court heard he wanted to have sex with a person who was dying or who had killed a person.

Ashford testified during a sentencing hearing in January that he didn't want to stab the woman but felt a "need" to do it.

Dangerous offenders are sentenced to jail for an indefinite period of time. Long-term offenders can be placed on probation for up to 10 years after they are released from jail.

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St. Catharines Courthouse

Kiecken wants "properly-trained" inspectors

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Biolysse argues its product will otherwise be available from unreliable supply sources, including the American drug manufacturer Hospira. "It's questionable Hospira might be able to keep it up for a while but I don't think it's a reliable source," Kiecken said.

"As for Biolysse, we have never had a back order (warning)."

Health Canada says there will be an adequate alternate supply of the drug for domestic treatment needs.

Biolysse's release also strongly disputes the federal agency's conclusions about its production process.

"(Our) manufacturing process is supported by sound scientific evidence which substantiates the safety of the manufacturing method, environmental conditions and testing methods which all reflect the requirements of the good manufacturing guidelines," the release said.

"Supportive data and trend monitoring was available to the inspectors."

Kiecken said one Health Canada concern was essentially

over a "visualization" or fog test of appropriate air flow in its clean room.

"Nothing has anything to do with risk over what we're doing here," she said. "Is that a reason to close a company?"

Kiecken wants inspection reassessment done by "properly-trained" inspectors using a correct review process.

Hospira was sent an e-mailed request for an interview on Monday, but

no response was available by deadline.

Gary Holub of Health Canada said for a company to receive and maintain its establishment license "it simply has to comply with (good management practices)."

City of St. Catharines' economic development manager Brian York said the city is working with all levels of government to resolve the situation.

"We are committed to

ensuring their (facility enlargement) gets built out," York said, adding Biolysse has been identified as being part of a growing sector in the area's economy.

"I'm hoping there's a resolution here," York said.

Meanwhile St. Catharines city councillors voted unanimously Monday to support the company's efforts.

Mayor Brian McMullan said he will be both phoning and sending a letter to Health Minister Rona

Ambrose, asking for her "immediate intervention... to ensure the long-term viability of the company's operations, manufacturing and distribution of cancer-fighting drugs in Canada."

Port Dalhousie Coun. Bruce Williamson said the city also wants to ensure the safety of the drug, adding that to the motion.

McMullan said the city needs a company like Biolysse, with its potential to offer employment to dozens

of skilled workers, as a key component of the Region's bi-o-science sector.

The city's call for assistance is also being sent to Ontario Premier Kathleen Wynne, St. Catharines MP Rick Dykstra, Welland MP Malcolm Allen, St. Catharines MPP Jim Bradley and Niagara Region, asking for their support.

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Heart doctor didn't miss a beat when returning home

Grant LaFleche
CMI Agency Niagara

For a long time, Niagara has been the kind of place you grow up to get out of.

As the economy took a turn for the worst and the region's life blood, manufacturing, fell into steep decline, many of those with talent and skill left for greener pastures.

For a time, Dr. Jaffer Syed was one of those people. He is a graduate of West Park high school and did his pre-medical education at Brock University.

But if he wanted to pursue a career as a physician, Syed would have to leave St. Catharines.

He attended the University Toronto for medical school and ended up spending more than a decade caring for patients.

"That was 12 years of training beyond Brock University," Syed said.

Although he wanted to return with his family to Niagara, a place he still considered home, the region didn't offer much for a cardiologist.

Local hospitals had only minimal cardiac care programs and patients who needed any level of medical intervention — from an angiogram to open heart surgery — were sent to St. Catharines.

Not exactly the best environment for a doctor looking to sharpen his skills and build a career.

"The funny thing was when I was going into a fellowship to train in angioplasty (in 2008), which is the procedure we are doing here (at the NHS) now, and at that point I was exploring options to coming back here locally," said Syed.

While he was looking at possible options to return home, Syed had some conservations with Dr. Sven Palle. Then, as now, Palle was the head of cardiology in Niagara.

They exchanged emails about the state of cardiac care in Niagara. Palle was up for it. The two lobbied for a heart investigation unit but otherwise things had not changed.

"He was hopeful they would get an investigation unit but the thing was I

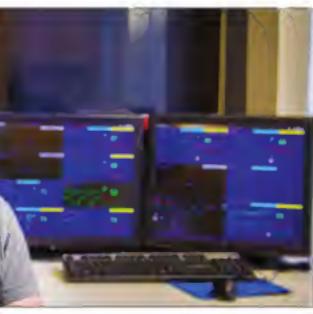
needed a job right away," Syed said. "In my line of work if you don't get a job right away after your training you are already out of date and you're not likely to get a job."

Instead of coming home, Syed went to the University of Western Ontario where he worked for seven years.

Things change, however,

and the design for a new St. Catharines hospital

included a heart investiga-



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Niagara Health System photo. Dr. Jaffer Syed pictured at the Niagara Health System in St. Catharines.

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tion unit that would, for the first time in Niagara's history, provide angiograms locally.

Syed said he found out about the lab from colleagues working on the plan during a conference a couple of years ago.

"They said 'Hey guess what, we are doing this exciting thing in Niagara and we need to have some staff to help us run it and we think you'd be a good fit,'"

For Syed, the proposal was perfect. He could return to his roots in Niagara, practice his trade and be part of building an entirely new medical program for the region. When the new unit started accepting patients, Syed was part of a new group of cardiologists treating them.

The model that ended up being established, very much an integrated partnership between this new hospital and McMaster, was very exciting. That is what really drew me," Syed said.

Brother Bands Made with Love benefit heart and stroke

Sarah Ferguson
Fort Erie Times

Blake Jamieson loves everything about survival, hunting, camping and exploring.

The eight-year-old Our Lady Of Victory School student wanted to use his passion for survival to honour his six-year-old brother Tyson.

"Tyson had a stroke when he was a baby, and we like bracelets and things like survival and hunting," Blake explained.

The Grade 3 student, with the help of his mom, Kim, and

dad, Durrell, has created a wide variety of BBandz—Brother Bands Made With Love—in honour of Tyson's birthday.

All of the proceeds from the bands, which range from \$2 to \$8, depending on size and colour, will go toward the Heart and Stroke Foundation.

Blake said he is excited about selling bands and donating the money to the Heart and Stroke Foundation on behalf of his brother.

"I love having a brother; He always plays with me and we have fun every second of the day," Blake said.

Kim Jamieson said her son Tyson suffered a stroke while in utero and when he was eight months-old, Kim noticed Tyson would take a sit with his left hand and he couldn't seem to relax it.

Tyson has received therapy since he was 12 months-old, and continues to improve despite several setbacks due to his stroke.

Blake said

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From left, Tyson Jamieson shows wristbands his brother, Blake Jamieson, has created and sold to benefit the Heart and Stroke Foundation. Tyson suffered a stroke in utero and Blake wanted to do something special to honour his brother and help others in need.

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MILLER - John George Christopher Miller would like to extend their most heartfelt thanks for the outpouring of support and kindness during the illness and passing of their cherished husband, John George Miller. We're overwhelmed by the floral tributes, fruit baskets, sympathy cards, donations and thoughtful little gifts we have received. You are all so kind and caring.

The family would like to extend special thanks to Dr. Csanyi, Dr. Sami Puventura, and Dr. Scher. The staff at Douglas Memorial, and most of all to the staff at NIAGARA FUNERAL PARLOR LODGE. Your professional assistance, your kindness, and your compassion during Chris' "battle" will never be forgotten. By the family of John George Miller Hawkeye, you'll always hold a special place, for your wonderful care and to the "ladies" wonderful luncheon. Finally, thanks to Niagara Funeral Alternatives for their professional care and handling of the arrangements.

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BURKLEY, Virginia "Mavis" (Nee Poldard) - Born July 23, 1938 in Ontario, Canada and died May 10, 2014 in Fort Erie, Ontario. Loving mother of Pam and Mike Renshaw. Cherished grandmother of Samantha. One of 9 children of the late James and Vera Pollard. She is survived by her brothers Ken (Ann), Doug (Doris), and Jim (Doris), and her sister Diana. She is also survived by her sister in law Helen Pollard and her many nieces and nephews. Predeceased by her sisters Twila and Lorette and brothers Ron and Rolland as well as her sister in law Blanchie, brother in law John Threlfall and her cousin, Herb. Her nieces and nephews extend special thanks to Dr. Scher, Dr. Che and Dona Donald as well as the staff of Maple Park Lodge for their compassion and dignified care. The family will celebrate Virginia's life on Wednesday morning at 11 am in the CHAPEL OF THE SAMPLER L. B. HARRISON HOME, 1292 Peleham Street, Fort Erie. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Alzheimer's Society would be appreciated by the family.

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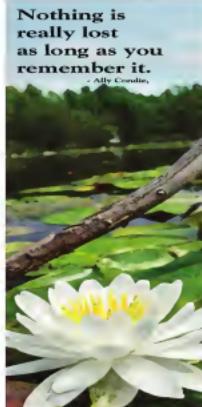
CLINE, Ruth Eleanor - On Monday May 5th, 2014, Ruth peacefully passed away at Douglas Memorial Hospital at the age of 91 years. She is predeceased by husband Arthur and son Dennis. She is survived by children Bonnie Moffatt, Jerry Cline, Judy (Ivan) Winger and Stacia (Jack) Stapleton, fifteen grandchildren, thirty four great grandchildren and eleven great great grandchildren. A special shout out to Mom, Connie and special puppy "Cookie". She is predeceased by sisters Helen Nevington, Marie Morningstar and Stella Hawkins. Ruth will be missed by many nephews and nieces. **WILLIAMS FUNERAL SERVICES**, 720 Main Street, Fort Erie, Ontario arrangements. The family would like to thank the staff at Douglas Memorial Hospital for their wonderful care and support. The family received friends on Thursday evening from 7:30 pm and on Friday from 10 am until the time of service in the chapel at 11 am. Interment followed at Erie Cemetery. Donations to her memory can be made to the Canadian Cancer Society or to Camp Kahquah.

HOOPER, Cheryl - Marlene - Cheryl passed away on Saturday the 24th of November 2014. Loving mother of Rebecca (Daren Lund) Schwyer and Brett (Melinda) Schwyer. Cherished grandmother of Brendan, Caleb, Carson, Jack and Nicole. Survived by her sisters Linda (Neil) Schwyer and Vicki (Mike) Hooper, brother Kevin (Nancy) Hooper, her nieces, nephews and extended family. Predeceased by her parents Jack and Audrey Hooper and her brother Way Benner. Fort Erie entrusted with arrangements. The family will receive friends on Monday May 12th from 2 pm until the time of funeral in the Chapel at 3 p.m. Interment to follow in Ridgeway Memorial Cemetery. If so desired, donations in Cheryl's memory can be made to the Canadian Cancer Society.

LEWIS, Betty Jane - Betty passed away on May 10, 2014 at the Niagara Falls General Hospital at the age of 88. Cherished mother of Gary (Adel) of Niagara Falls. Sadly missed by grandchildren Bradley, Darlin, Michael and Michelle and their great grandchildren. Also survived by daughter-in-law Linda. Predeceased by her son, Franklin and brother Bill. **BENNER FUNERAL SERVICES**, 1105 Benner Ave, Fort Erie entrusted with arrangements. The family will receive friends on Tuesday May 13th from 11 am until the time of service in the Chapel at 1 pm. If so desired, donations to the Alzheimer's Society would be appreciated by the family.

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